

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY **REGION III** 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

September 23, 2011

NMAAHC Tier II Final EIS Comments c/o AECOM 675 N Washington Street Suite 300 Alexandria, VA 22314

Re: Smithsonian Institution National Museum of African American History and Culture Tier II Final Environmental Impact Statement, August 2011 CEQ # 20110268

Dear Sir/Madam:

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the subject document. The Smithsonian Institution National Museum of African American History and Culture Tier II Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) was submitted in November 2010, with EPA comments sent in correspondence dated January 10, 2011. The DEIS was rated "LO" (Lack of Objections) by EPA. EPA has no objections to the proposed project.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Barbara Okorn at (215) 814-3330.

Sincerely,

Barbara Rudnick

NEPA Team leader

Office of Environmental Programs